

From the Director's Corner



As personal and business commitments become more challenging to meet, users of governmental services are more interested in getting information from the internet. This approach allows service users to obtain information when it is most convenient for their busy schedules.

To accommodate the requests for information, the Department is proud to introduce our web site. The address is: www.waukeshacounty.gov/landandparks. Although a work in progress, the site will enable users to be able to access information concerning:

Business and Residential Recycling	Household Hazardous Waste
Stormwater Management *	Water Quality
Natural Resources	On-Site Sewage Systems
Private Wells	Restaurants and Retail Food
Rabies Control	Golf Courses
Ice Arenas	Waukesha Cty Exposition Ctr
Retzer Nature Center	County Park System
Land Use Planning *	Zoning *
Aerial Photography *	Mapping Information

Note: The asterick (*) indicates sections still under development as of the printing of this issue of the Resource Report.

Visitors to the Department's web site will be able to navigate through the organization chart, current year initiatives, including construction projects in the parks, obtain a budget summary, view samples of maps available for order, print permit applications, check out current employment opportunities, search out the various services by Division and provide direct feedback to the Department.

So what's next: Each of the the Department's Divisions will be on-line by the **end of 2001**. Information concerning land use planning, zoning and the Land Information System are currently under development.

In **2002**, the Department will be releasing the availability to make on-line camping and picnicing reservations as well as be able to complete permit applications and return them through the internet. The Department is also working on the ability to make reservations at each of our three golf courses.

PLANNING AND ZONING DIVISION NOW PROVIDES COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PLANNING IN THE TOWN OF LISBON

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Community Assistance Planning is a service provided by the Planning and Zoning Division to local municipalities that have contracted for consultant planning services. This program has been expanded in 2001 to include the Town of Lisbon. This service allows the Towns to have a professional planner assist them in reviewing subdivision plats, certified survey maps, conditional use applications, site plans and plans of operation, proposed zoning changes, variances, other land use issues, and to provide written reviews and recommendations to the Town Planning Commission and/or the Town Board. In addition, the Planner may be asked to prepare amendments to zoning ordinances, land division ordinances, and land use plans. The advantage to the Towns is that they are able to tap into the vast resources available at the County to provide cost effective planning services to their constituents, and base their development decisions on sound land use management principles.

The other Towns that have contracted with the Planning and Zoning Division for planning services are the Town of Vernon (since 1995), the Town of Mukwonago (since 1998), the Town of Ottawa (since 1999), and the Town of Oconomowoc (since 2000). Sandy Scherer, Senior Land Use Specialist, is the designated Planner for the Towns of Lisbon and Ottawa. Kathy Moore, Senior Planner, is the designated Planner for the Towns of Vernon and Mukwonago, and Jeff Herrmann, Senior Planner, is the designated Planner for the Town of Oconomowoc. For more information regarding this service, please contact Sandy Scherer, Kathy Moore or Jeff Herrmann at (262) 548-7790.